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#### §201.1 Communications with the Copyright Office.

(a) *General purpose addresses.* The following addresses may be used for general inquiries made to a particular division or section of the Copyright Office. Addresses for special, limited purposes are provided below in paragraph (b) of this section.

(1) In general. Mail and other communications shall be addressed to the

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Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress, Copyright Office, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6000.

(2) *Inquiries to Licensing Division.* Inquiries about filings related to the compulsory licenses (17 U.S.C. 111, 114, 115, 118, 119 and chapter 10) should be addressed to the Library of Congress, Copyright Office, Licensing Division, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20557-6400.

(3) *Copies of records or deposits.* Requests for copies of records or deposits should be addressed to the Certifications and Documents Section, LM-402, Library of Congress, Copyright Office, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6302.

(4) *Search of records.* Requests for searches of registrations and recordations in the completed catalogs, indexes, and other records of the Copyright Office should be addressed to the Reference and Bibliography Section, LM-450, Library of Congress, Copyright Office, 101 Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20559-6306.

(b) *Limited purpose addresses.* The following addresses may be used only in the special, limited circumstances given for a particular Copyright Office service:

(1) *Time sensitive requests.* Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests; notices of filing of copyright infringement lawsuits; comments for rulemaking proceedings; requests for Copyright Office speakers; requests for approvals of computer generated application forms; requests for expedited service from either the Certifications and Documents Section or Reference and Bibliography Section to meet the needs of pending or prospective litigation, customs matters or contract or publishing deadlines should be addressed to: Copyright GC/I&R, P.O. Box 70400, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0400.

(2) *Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panels (CARPs).* CARP claims, filings, and general CARP correspondence should be mailed to: Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0977.

(c) *Copies of records or deposits.* Requests for copies of records or deposits should be addressed to the Library of

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Congress, Copyright Office, Certifications and Documents Section, LM-402, 101 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20559-6000.

(d) *Search of records.* Requests for searches of registrations and recordations in the completed catalogs, indexes, and other records of the Copyright Office should be addressed to the Library of Congress, Copyright Office, Reference and Bibliography Section, LM-450, 101 Independence Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20559-6000.

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### § 201.2 Information given by the Copyright Office.

(a) *In general.* (1) Information relative to the operations of the Copyright Office is supplied without charge. A search of the records, indexes, and deposits will be made for such information as they may contain relative to copyright claims upon application and payment of the statutory fee. The Copyright Office, however, does not undertake the making of comparisons of copyright deposits to determine similarity between works.

(2) The Copyright Office does not furnish the names of copyright attorneys, publishers, agents, or other similar information.

(3) In the administration of the Copyright Act in general, the Copyright Office interprets the Act. The Copyright Office, however, does not give specific legal advice on the rights of persons, whether in connection with particular uses of copyrighted works, cases of alleged foreign or domestic copyright infringement, contracts between authors and publishers, or other matters of a similar nature.

(b) *Inspection and copying of records.*

(1) Inspection and copying of completed records and indexes relating to a registration or a recorded document, and inspection of copies or identifying material deposited in connection with a completed copyright registration may be undertaken in the Certifications and Documents Section. Since some of these materials are not stored on the immediate premises of the Copyright